

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
ABSTRACT

Public Servants - Transport Department - Disciplinary proceedings initiated against Sri A.Ranganatham, Senior Assistant (Retd.) and (4) others - Inquiry Officer appointed - Change of Inquiry Officer - Orders - Issued.

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TRANSPORT, ROADS AND BUILDINGS (VIG.III.1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 383

Dated: 08.04.2013

Read the following:-

- 1) G.O.Rt.No.664, Transport, Roads & Buildings (Vig.III.1) Department, Dated 13.07.2010.
- 2) Govt.Memo.No.9227/Vig.III/1/2009-14, Transport, Roads & Buildings Department, Dated 13.07.2010.
- 3) From the Deputy Transport Commissioner, Chittoor & Inquiring Authority Letter No.48130 / A1/2010, Dated 27.12.2010.
- 4) Govt.Memo.No.9227/Vig.III/1/2004-18 to 22, Transport, Roads & Buildings Dept., Dt.09.02.2011.
- 5) Representations of Sri P.Mahabub Khan, Senior Assistant Dated 06.04.2011, Sri B.Venkata Prasad, Junior Assistant, Dated 03.05.2011, Sri M.Nagaraja Reddy, Senior Assistant, Dated 03.05.2011, Sri A.Ranganadham, Senior Assistat(Retd.) Dated 03.05.2011 and Sri U.John Paul, Senior Assistant Dated 09.05.2011.
- 6) G.O.Rt.No.31, Dt. 11.01.2012 of Transport, Roads & Buildings (Vig.III) Dept.
- 7) O.A.No. 399/2012 filed by Sri U.John Paul, Sr. Asst.
- 8) Orders of Hon'ble APAT in O.A. No.399/2012 with VMA No. 476/2012, Dt. 03.01.2013.
- 9) Orders of Hon'ble APAT in O.A.No. 1002/2013, dt. 13.02.2013 filed by Sri M.Nagaraja Reddy, Sr. Asst. & Sri B.Venkata Prasad, Jr. Asst.
- 10)From the Transport Commissioner A.P., Hyderabad Lr. No. 16411/V4/2000, Dt. 20.03.2013.

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O R D E R:

In G.O. first read above, orders were issued appointing Sri M. Basi Reddy, Deputy Transport Commissioner, Chittoor as Inquiring Authority to conduct common enquiry into the charges framed against the following officers:--

- 1) Sri A.Ranganatham, Senior Assistant (Retd.),
- 2) Sri M.Nagaraja Reddy, Senior Assistant,
- 3) Sri P.Mahaboob Khan, Senior Assistant,
- 4) Sri U.John Paul, Senior Assistant and
- 5) Sri B.Venkata Prasad, Junior Assistant

2. In his letter 3<sup>rd</sup> read above, the Inquiring Authority submitted his report duly holding that the charges framed against the above said charged officers as proved.

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3. In the Memo.4<sup>th</sup> read above, under Rule 21(4) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991, a copy of enquiry report has been communicated to all the charged officers for their representations if any in the matter.

4. In their representations 5<sup>th</sup> read above, all the charged officers have submitted their representations stating that the enquiry has not been conducted properly; that they were not allowed to examine the prosecution documents/witnesses and not allowed sufficient time to submit written brief etc., and that the findings of the Enquiry Officer are in deviation from the original article of charges.

5. Government after careful examination of the matter have viewed that the enquiry has not been conducted as per the procedure contemplated under Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 and therefore decided to remit back the disciplinary case to the inquiring authority for further inquiry in accordance with the rules.

6. Accordingly orders were issued in the G.O. 6<sup>th</sup> read above remitting back the disciplinary case to the Inquiring Authority for further enquiry in accordance with the rules duly giving reasonable opportunity to the charged officers to examine the witnesses etc. as per the procedure contemplated under Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 and submit his report.

7. In the reference 7<sup>th</sup> read above, against the said orders, one of the charged officers Sri U.John Paul filed O.A.No. 399/2012 before the Andhra Pradesh Administrative Tribunal to set aside the charge Memo Dt. 15.4.2009 issued by the Transport Commissioner and G.O.Rt.No.31, Dt. 11.01.2012 wherein the matter was remitted back to the Enquiry Officer etc.

8. Initially, the Andhra Pradesh Administrative Tribunal in its interim orders dt. 06.02.2012 inter-alia directed to maintain status quo as on that day (ie.23.1.2012) and in its final order 8<sup>th</sup> read above, dismissed the O.A. filed by Sri John Paul, Sr.Asst., and the respondents are at liberty to proceed further in the enquiry and pass final orders at the earliest, by following the provisions under APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991.

9. Based on the above orders of Hon'ble Andhra Pradesh Administrative Tribunal, when the enquiry is about to process, some of the charged officers viz., Sri M.Nagaraja Reddy, Sr.Asst. & Sri B. Venkata Prasad, Jr. Asst., filed O.A.No.1002/2013 for change of Enquiry Officer. The Hon'ble Andhra Pradesh Administrative Tribunal in its orders 9<sup>th</sup> read above, disposed the said O.A. with a direction to the respondents to change the Enquiry Officer and proceed further with the disciplinary proceedings and finalise the same within a period of six months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

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10. Government after careful examination of the matter decided to appoint Sri C. Ramesh, Deputy Transport Commissioner, Ranga Reddy district as Inquiring Authority in place of Sri M.Basi Reddy, Deputy Transport Commissioner, Chittoor.

11. Accordingly, Government hereby appoint Sri C. Ramesh, Deputy Transport Commissioner, Ranga Reddy District as Inquiring Authority in place of Sri M.Basi Reddy, Deputy Transport Commissioner, Chittoor to conduct a detailed enquiry against 1. Sri U.John Paul, Sr. Asst., 2. Sri P. Mahaboob Khan, Sr.Asst., 3. Sri M.Nagaraja Reddy, Sr. Asst., 4. Sri A.Ranganatham, Sr.Asst., & 5. Sri B.Venkata Prasad, Jr.Asst.

12. Sri M.Basi Reddy, Deputy Transport Commissioner, Chittoor is directed to handover the entire material pertaining to this case to Sri C.Ramesh, Deputy Transport Commissioner & Inquiring Authority immediately.

13. Further, Sri E.Meera Prasad, the then Regional Transport Officer, Nandyal and presently at Vizianagaram shall present the disciplinary case against the charged officers referred in para (1) above on behalf of the disciplinary authority in support of the article of charge as per the orders already issued in Govt. Memo. 2<sup>nd</sup> read above.

14. The Inquiring Authority is further informed that since, the Hon'ble Andhra Pradesh, Administrative Tribunal has stipulated time limit to finalise the disciplinary proceedings, he is requested to conduct the enquiry on day to day basis and furnish his enquiry report within one month without fail.

[BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH]

D. LAKSHMI PARTHASARATHY,  
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Sri C. Ramesh, Deputy Transport Commissioner, Ranga Reddy District through Transport Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

Sri M. Basi Reddy, Deputy Transport Commissioner, Chittoor through Transport Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad,

Sri E.Meera Prasad, the then Regional Transport Officer, Nandyal and presently at Vizianagaram through the Transport Commissioner.

The Transport Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

The individuals concerned through Transport Commissioner.

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//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER.